Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment

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Guidance Document: Suggested Minimum Requirements for a Typical Groundwater Report

1. Introduction

- a. Report purpose (e.g. sampling dates, semi-annual/annual/quarterly sampling, etc.)
- **b.** Certification statement such as: "I certify that I have reviewed these reports and as a qualified groundwater scientist as defined by Section 1.2 of the Regulations Pertaining to Solid Waste Sites and Facilities (6 CCR 1007-2, Part 1) this report, and all the information presented, to the best of my knowledge and ability, is a true and accurate reflection of the regulatory monitoring and testing performed."
- **c.** Site location information (i.e. address, site map and possibly an area map)
- **d.** Summary of significant historic events or site-specific consideration that may influence monitoring results as necessary
- **e.** Report findings overview/summary of significant aspects: optional but useful to assist reader in following main points
- f. Identify the sampling plan and/or operations plan or compliance orders followed; include date of document(s)
 - i. If deviations from the plan(s) occurred or any extraordinary events may have impacted sampling and/or results, summarize the deviations, events and any corrective actions taken.

2. Field Information

- **a.** Current well layout and information on any field inspections (e.g. summary, figures, tables: well name, total depth, casing elevation, ground elevation, water elevation, screen depth, screen interval, etc.; any damage to wells and inspection field forms, if used)
- **b.** Water level measurements (e.g. time series/trend charts and field forms)
- c. Potentiometric surface maps; include figure and discussions on any changes
- **d.** Field parameters (e.g. pH, conductivity, temperature, etc.); include field forms in the report and discuss any necessary field calibration
- e. Summary of significant events impacting the sampling event.

3. Groundwater Monitoring Results

- a. Sampling results (i.e. tables, time series/trend charts and summary of findings)
- b. Significant changes; describe trends (changes in concentrations from previous sampling events)
- **c.** Addresses statistical findings for the event; include back-up materials as necessary (e.g. Shewart-Cusum charts, tables, etc.)
- **d.** Assessment of statistically significant increases, verification monitoring, alternative source demonstrations and any notifications including dates sent to division, as necessary
- e. Include full copies of laboratory analytical reports, QA/QC and chain-of-custody
- **f.** Discuss any QA/QC concerns from the laboratory if they impact results as necessary.



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4. Leachate Sampling and Analyses (if applicable)

- a. Leachate collection procedures and monitoring system
- **b.** Leachate sampling EPA methods/analytical procedures and parameters
- c. Leachate monitoring scheduling
- d. Analytical testing results and discussion
- e. Include full copies of laboratory analytical reports, QA/QC and chain-of-custody
- **5.** Discuss scheduling/future sampling events and any significant aspects of the future sampling event to be considered.
- **6.** Conclusion: Summarize main assumptions, points and findings.
- **7.** Recommendation as necessary to address main points; include a statement that no recommendations are made if there are no recommendations.
- 8. References